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Southern California must spend billions to keep up with growing air travel demands

LOS ANGELES Air travel in and out of Southern California is expected to double over the next 25 years _ and if the region's nine major airports are going to keep up, they will have to spend nearly six (b) billion dollars to build terminals, roadways and parking garages.

That's according to a new report commissioned by the Southern California Association of Governments.

The study says that if cities, counties and airport agencies don't construct the facilities, the region will be able to accommodate only 67 percent of the 170 million annual passengers expected by 2030.

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